

84 Oliver Street
Torrington, CT 06790
16 June 2016

Dear Judge Magistrali,

15 years ago, or so, you stopped by our house seeking our vote in your quest to be elected probate judge. We invited you into our home to discuss the reasons why we should vote for you. At the end of this conversation you did something really unexpected, at least in my experience. You asked about us and our situation. And that is where the journey began.

We explained the death of my wife's son's girlfriend, due to an accidental heroin overdose and the plight of her two orphaned twin sons. They were in our care, at that moment, and we were unsure and apprehensive about what to do next.

With your guidance and assistance, we were first able to obtain temporary, and later permanent, guardianship of the twins.

Fast forward 15 years. On 19 June 2016, these two fine young men will be graduating from Torrington High School. At the same time, on 19 June 2016, they will both turn 18 years old.

This is a very proud moment for myself and my wife. It has been a long and sometimes difficult journey, these last 15 years. However, it has been well worth it. They have turned into fine young men with bright futures ahead.

I am writing this letter to share this happiness with the person who made this all possible. We are also writing to say thank you.

Enclosed are two pictures. One of the boys when they arrived. The other is how they appear today.

Again, thank you for helping us make this day possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Francis D. Mastrogiovanni".

Francis D. Mastrogiovanni